

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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TEITELBAUM *et al.*) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
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Application Number: 10/534,055) Examiner: Unassigned
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Filed: May 6, 2005)
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For: TRANSPEDICULAR INTERVERTEBRAL DISK ACCESS
METHODS AND DEVICES

**REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND
SUBMISSION OF THIRD PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)**

MAIL STOP PCT LEGAL ADMINISTRATION

Commissioner for Patents
Office of PCT Legal Administration
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action mailed on August 1, 2006. Accordingly, the time for response will be extended up to and including November 1, 2006. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0206 \$250, part of which covers the one-month extension of time fee of \$120.

SUBMISSION OF THIRD PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Third Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) petitioning the Commissioner to accept its application Serial No. 10/534,055. Joint inventors George P. Teitelbaum, Samuel M. Shaolian, Thanh V. Nguyen, To V. Pham, Vincent Divino, Jr., Michael R. Henson, and Frank Nguyen have previously filed a Declaration. Attached is a signed Declaration by Frank Nguyen.

FEES

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0206 for the following fees:

One-Month Extension of Time \$120.00

Late Declaration Surcharge \$130.00

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$250.00

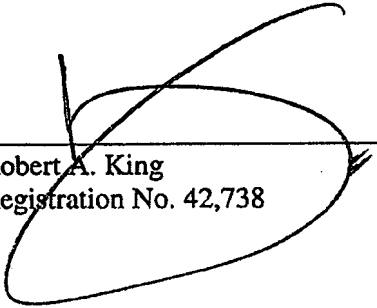
In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the amount determined by the USPTO to enter this Response or maintain the present application pending, please charge or credit such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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